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Mr. Henry S. Rowen
 Chairman
 National Intelligence Center
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 Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Mr. Rowen:

I am very pleased to know that you have agreed to participate in our hearings on the "Allocation of Resources in the Soviet Union." Your appearance is scheduled for Thursday, October 15, 1981, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 1224 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building. Senator William Proxmire, Vice Chairman of the Subcommittee on International Trade, Finance, and Security Economics, will preside over the hearings.

Your testimony will be received in executive session in order to permit a free exchange of views, as have been our practice. I hope the hearings can be made available to the public in sanitized form as quickly as possible.

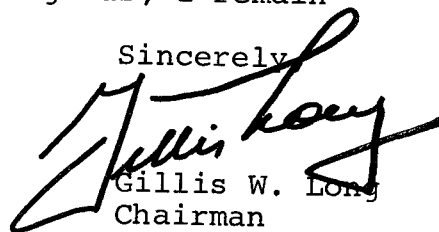
I would like to follow the approach discussed by our staffs. I understand that you will present up-to-date assessments of the more critical aspects of the Soviet economy and that you will also discuss the issue of relative military competitiveness.

We would like to have copies of your prepared statement no later than 12:00 noon, Tuesday, October 13, 1981. This will facilitate preparation on our part.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

With kindest personal regards, I remain

Sincerely,



Gillis W. Long
 Chairman
 Subcommittee on International Trade,
 Finance, and Security Economics

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